



## Memorandum # 21/2003

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director

RE: Repeal of G.L. c. 32, § 5(1)(e) – Spousal retirement provision

DATE: July 3, 2003

This is to inform you that the Legislature, through the adoption of Section 175 of Chapter 26 of the Acts of 2003 (the FY 2004 state budget) eliminates G.L. c. 32, § 5(1)(e) effective July 1, 2003. This section allowed a member with at least ten years of creditable service who was a married to a G.L. c. 32 retiree to retire irrespective of age. As of July 1, 2003, members married to retirees will no longer be able to take advantage of this provision.

We trust the foregoing is of assistance. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact this office.